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In re application of:

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Examiner:

For: PROCESS OF AND SYSTEM FOR SEAMLESSLY EMBEDDING EXECUTABLE  
PROGRAM CODE INTO MEDIA FILE FORMATS SUCH AS Mp3 AND THE LIKE  
FOR EXECUTION BY DIGITAL MEDIA PLAYER AND VIEWING SYSTEMS

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Please add the following claims that provide an additional viewpoint of describing the invention.

--37. A process for seamlessly embedding supplementary program content into digital media streams during execution of such streams by digital media content presenting systems, that comprises, providing supplementary digital program content in the form of executable code; embedding the executable code into the digital stream; decoding the encoded code during the presenting of the content of the stream by the system; and presenting the supplementary program content of the decoding in response to such decoding during the presenting of the stream content by the system.--

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The process of claim 37 wherein the embedding, decoding and presenting are effected by software control of a computer system; with the presenting effected as playing and/or viewing at a computer screen.--

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